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PATENT
CASE NO. 56/427

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:)
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Norbert Kerner et al.)
) Group Art Unit: unassigned
Serial No.: 10/757,376)
) Examiner: unassigned
Filed: January 14, 2004)
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For: CONTROL STRUCTURE FOR)
THE ACTIVE DAMPING OF)
LOW-FREQUENCY)
OSCILLATIONS IN)
NUMERICALLY CONTROLLED)
MACHINE TOOLS)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in
conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby submit the following reference for
consideration by the Examiner. A copy of the reference is enclosed along with a completed copy
of Form PTO-1449.

I. DISCLOSURE

A. Foreign Patents

<u>Reference No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Pub. Date</u>
WO 01/23967 A1	WIPO	04/05/01

II. DISCUSSION

A. WIPO Patent Reference No. WO 01/23967

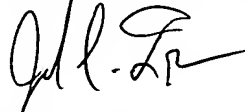
The pertinence of the '967 patent reference is discussed at page 3 of Applicants' Specification. Based solely on the drawings and the enclosed English language Abstract, the '967 patent reference appears to disclose a position controller that uses a second order reference model in a regulator.

III. CONCLUSION

It is believed that none of these references, alone or in combination, disclose or suggest the invention claimed. However, Applicants wish to make it clear that the disclosure of the above references is in no way an admission that they qualify as prior art. It is Applicants' desire, however, to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to

see. Applicants therefore request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference and make the above-listed references of record.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John C. Freeman', written in a cursive style.

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(use several sheets if necessary)		APPLICANT(S): Norbert Kerner et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES OR NO
	A1	WO 01/23967 A1	04/05/01	WIPO		YES

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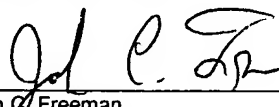
Transmitted herewith is Information Disclosure Statement with copy of one (1) cited reference; Form 1449, and post card.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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- ☐ No additional fee is required.
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Indep.		Minus			x \$43=			x \$86=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$145=			+ \$290=	
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